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4-48 E. Cross St. (North side)  
Baltimore, Md.  
Private access

1850-1867

The pair of houses at 4-6 E. Cross St. was originally built as a pair of two story plus attic, two bay wide brick houses with gable roofs, but 4 E. Cross St. has been enlarged and is now three stories in height with a shed roof and bracketed cornice. 8 E. Cross St. is a small, two story, gable-roofed house typical of the type built on nearby Patapsco St. in the 1850's. 10 and 12-38 E. Cross St. are all three story, two bay wide, brick houses with gable roofs that serve a mixed commercial/residential purpose. The houses were built both just before and just after the Civil War by John S. Gittings and George Williamson, who each built alternating pairs of similar houses. 26-28 and 38 E. Cross St. have had their original gable roofs rebuilt as shed roofs and 38 E. Cross St. has a bracketed cornice. 46 E. Cross St. is a three story, two bay wide brick house with shed roof and bracketed cornice whose first floor area is currently being converted to a shopfront. 48 E. Cross St. is a two story, two bay wide, brick house with shed roof and bracketed cornice which has recently been converted to modern shopfront space.

MARYLAND HISTORICAL TRUST

INVENTORY FORM FOR STATE HISTORIC SITES SURVEY

**1 NAME**

HISTORIC

AND/OR COMMON

**2 LOCATION**

STREET & NUMBER

46 E. Cross St.

CITY, TOWN

Baltimore

VICINITY OF

CONGRESSIONAL DISTRICT

STATE

Maryland

COUNTY

**3 CLASSIFICATION**

**CATEGORY**

☐ DISTRICT  
☒ BUILDING(S)  
☐ STRUCTURE  
☐ SITE  
☐ OBJECT

**OWNERSHIP**

☐ PUBLIC  
☒ PRIVATE  
☐ BOTH  
**PUBLIC ACQUISITION**  
☐ IN PROCESS  
☐ BEING CONSIDERED

**STATUS**

☐ OCCUPIED  
☒ UNOCCUPIED  
☒ WORK IN PROGRESS  
**ACCESSIBLE**  
☒ YES: RESTRICTED  
☐ YES: UNRESTRICTED  
☐ NO

**PRESENT USE**

☐ AGRICULTURE ☐ MUSEUM  
☒ COMMERCIAL ☐ PARK  
☐ EDUCATIONAL ☐ PRIVATE RESIDENCE  
☐ ENTERTAINMENT ☐ RELIGIOUS  
☐ GOVERNMENT ☐ SCIENTIFIC  
☐ INDUSTRIAL ☐ TRANSPORTATION  
☐ MILITARY ☐ OTHER:

**4 OWNER OF PROPERTY**

NAME

Telephone #:

STREET & NUMBER

CITY, TOWN

VICINITY OF

STATE, zip code

**5 LOCATION OF LEGAL DESCRIPTION**

COURTHOUSE,  
REGISTRY OF DEEDS, ETC.

Records Office Room 601

Liber #:

Folio #:

STREET & NUMBER

Baltimore City Courthouse

CITY, TOWN

Baltimore

STATE

Maryland 21202

**6 REPRESENTATION IN EXISTING SURVEYS**

TITLE

DATE

☐ FEDERAL ☐ STATE ☐ COUNTY ☐ LOCAL

DEPOSITORY FOR  
SURVEY RECORDS

CITY, TOWN

STATE

## 7 DESCRIPTION

B-3332

### CONDITION

—EXCELLENT

X GOOD

—FAIR

—DETERIORATED

—RUINS

—UNEXPOSED

### CHECK ONE

—UNALTERED

X ALTERED

### CHECK ONE

X ORIGINAL SITE

—MOVED

DATE \_\_\_\_\_

### DESCRIBE THE PRESENT AND ORIGINAL (IF KNOWN) PHYSICAL APPEARANCE

This three story, two bay brick building with shed roof and metal cornice represents either an enlargement or replacement of the original gable roofed house that was built on this site in the 1850's. The first floor area has been converted into a store-front. The building is currently in the process of being renovated.

The building is three stories in height, 13 1/2' wide, and occupies a lot about 231' deep. The building is one long room deep and there is a one story high, one bay deep frame rear addition. The building is constructed in running bond. The shed roof is capped by a stamped sheet metal cornice consisting of a deeply projecting crown molding set above a plain frieze area. The cornice is framed and supported by two end brackets, the upper edges of which terminated in plain, rounded "anthemions." There is a single covered chimney located along the east side of the rear section of the roof.

The second and third floor window openings have segmentally arched brick lintels with solid wood tympanums. The sills are brick header sills. The second floor windows are filled with new 15-light French doors that open out onto a new wrought iron balcony which extends across the entire width of the facade at the second floor level. The third floor windows are filled with new 6/6 sash. The first floor area has been converted into a store-front. A glass and panel door set beneath a single light transom is located in the westernmost bay, flanked by a plate glass window set on a wood paneled base, with a wide transom light set above the window. A simple wooden cornice, consisting of a deeply projecting crown molding supported by three new grooved brackets, extends across the entire width of the store-front. The entrance is reached by one stone step.

CONTINUE ON SEPARATE SHEET IF NECESSARY

**8 SIGNIFICANCE**

PERIOD		AREAS OF SIGNIFICANCE -- CHECK AND JUSTIFY BELOW			
<input type="checkbox"/> PREHISTORIC	<input type="checkbox"/> ARCHEOLOGY-PREHISTORIC	<input type="checkbox"/> COMMUNITY PLANNING	<input type="checkbox"/> LANDSCAPE ARCHITECTURE	<input type="checkbox"/> RELIGION	
<input type="checkbox"/> 1400-1499	<input type="checkbox"/> ARCHEOLOGY-HISTORIC	<input type="checkbox"/> CONSERVATION	<input type="checkbox"/> LAW	<input type="checkbox"/> SCIENCE	
<input type="checkbox"/> 1500-1599	<input type="checkbox"/> AGRICULTURE	<input type="checkbox"/> ECONOMICS	<input type="checkbox"/> LITERATURE	<input type="checkbox"/> SCULPTURE	
<input type="checkbox"/> 1600-1699	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> ARCHITECTURE	<input type="checkbox"/> EDUCATION	<input type="checkbox"/> MILITARY	<input type="checkbox"/> SOCIAL/HUMANITARIAN	
<input type="checkbox"/> 1700-1799	<input type="checkbox"/> ART	<input type="checkbox"/> ENGINEERING	<input type="checkbox"/> MUSIC	<input type="checkbox"/> THEATER	
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<input type="checkbox"/> 1900-	<input type="checkbox"/> COMMUNICATIONS	<input type="checkbox"/> INDUSTRY	<input type="checkbox"/> POLITICS/GOVERNMENT	<input type="checkbox"/> OTHER (SPECIFY)	
		<input type="checkbox"/> INVENTION			

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SPECIFIC DATES	1851-52	BUILDER/ARCHITECT	George L. Addison
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STATEMENT OF SIGNIFICANCE

This house is significant as being representative of a large group of gable-roofed houses built in the 1840's and 1850's in the area surrounding the Cross St. Market to serve as combination residential/commercial structures, but which were remodeled after the Civil War in the currently fashionable Victorian style. The original structure on this site seems to have been a two story plus attic house, such as Addison built at 1035-1037 S. Charles St. This house, and the adjoining two houses at 48 and 50 Cross (now demolished), were initially rented to a variety of tenants and did not leave the Addison family until the 1880's.<sup>1</sup>

<sup>1</sup>Baltimore City Land Records, Liber FAP 878, Folio 70; Sachse's 1858 Bird's Eye View of Baltimore

**9 MAJOR BIBLIOGRAPHICAL REFERENCES**

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**10 GEOGRAPHICAL DATA**ACREAGE OF NOMINATED PROPERTY 13'6" x 30'10"**VERBAL BOUNDARY DESCRIPTION**

LIST ALL STATES AND COUNTIES FOR PROPERTIES OVERLAPPING STATE OR COUNTY BOUNDARIES

STATE

COUNTY

STATE

COUNTY

**11 FORM PREPARED BY**

NAME / TITLE

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ORGANIZATION

DATE

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STREET &amp; NUMBER

TELEPHONE

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CITY OR TOWN

STATE

RuxtonMaryland 21204

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E. CROSS

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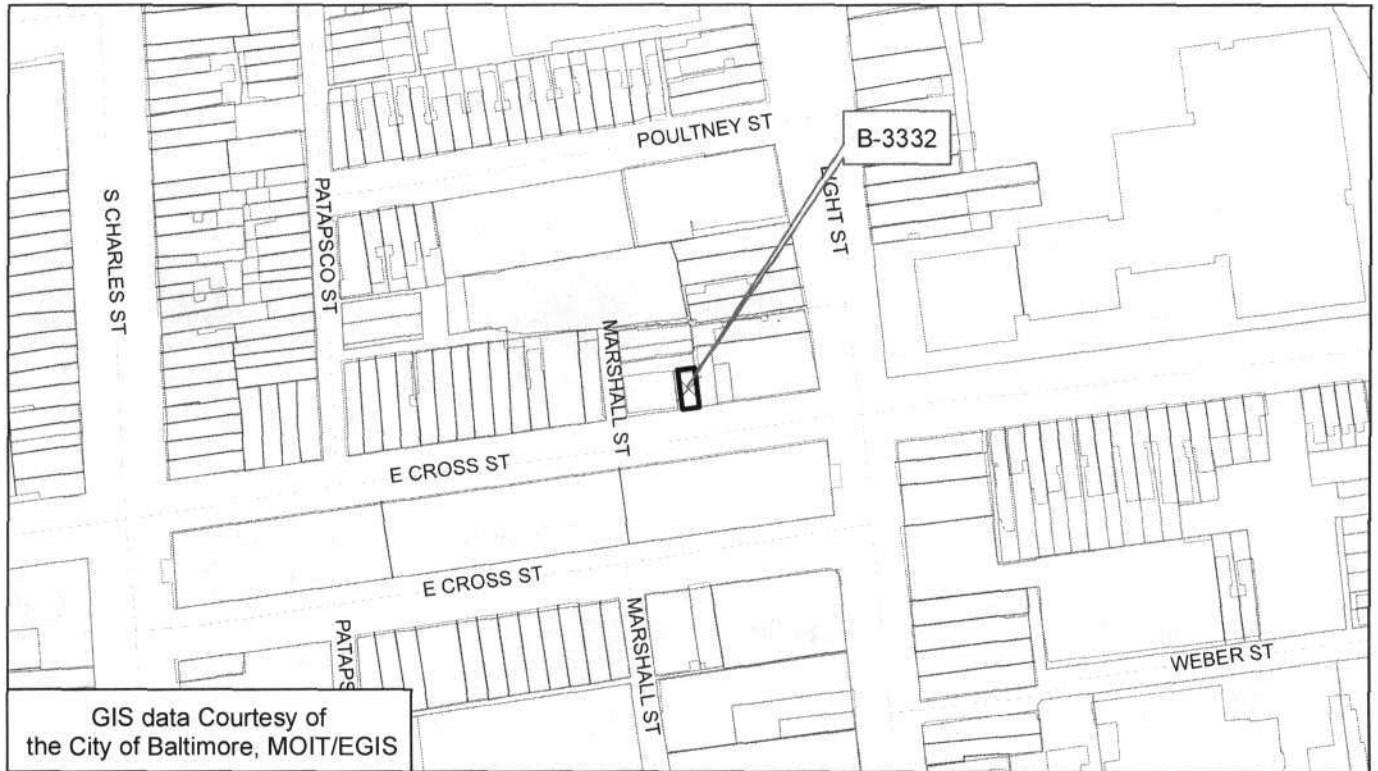
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46 E. Cross Street  
Block 0935A Lot 012  
Baltimore City  
Baltimore East Quad.







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South elevations